generally did not get the benefit of the remission rules. Mr. Shadaksharappa was of opinion that the Amildars themselves should make a list of all tanks which did not receive sufficient water and must recommend remissions wherever they were called for instead of waiting for the raiyats to ask for them.

(4) A middle school was necessary at Parashuramapur.

The Assembly thereafter adjourned for lunch and reassembled at 3-30 P.M.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

MR. A. NARAYANA IYENGAR (Hassan Taluk).—

Q.—1. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) Whether the employees of the Local Boards are treated in the same manner as other Government servants?

(*b*) Whether they are entitled to all the privileges of Government servants of the other departments?

(*c*) Whether it is true that they are not given house-building advances as in the case of other Government servants?

(*d*) Whether Government will be pleased to extend this privilege to the servants of these departments also?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, GENERAL DEPARTMENTS.—

A.—1. (*a*) The question is vague. Reference is however invited to Section 46 of the Municipal Regulation providing for the appointment, leave, pay, etc., in regard to Municipal servants and to Section 90 of the District Board Regulation regarding District Board employees.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) No. They are not given house-building advances.

(*d*) The proposal was opposed by the Representative Assembly at the Dasara Session of 1924. The question has been raised by the Bangalore City Municipal Council and the matter is under consideration.

Supplementary Questions and Answers.

Mr. A. Narayana Iyengar.—

To my question whether the employees of the Local Boards are treated in the same manner as servants of

Government Departments, no definite reply has been furnished. It is said that my question is vague. What I mean is, are not Government officials transferred to Local Boards and are they not given the same privileges as those which the servants of Government Departments enjoy? I know there are many cases of such transfers and that they were not given house-building advances.

Second Member of Council.—

In regard to this matter a bill had been brought before the House at one of its previous sessions. But the proposal referred to therein was opposed by the House. We will bring another bill before the House, if considered necessary.

Mr. A. Narayana Iyengar.—

It is said that no house-building advances are given to the employees of the Local Boards. But, why should they also not be given?

Second Member of Council.—

If they are to be given, then the rules regulating the grant of advances have to be changed. Should the Assembly agree to it, it can be done.

Mr A. Narayana Iyengar.—

But, are the Government contemplating to change the rules?

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Second Member of Council.—

We will consider the matter.

Mr. Mir Mahamad.—

Why should not the Municipal and Local Board employees be transferred to Government Departments after a service of three years?

Second Member of Council.—

For the simple reason that such municipal employees are not appointed by Government.

Mr Mir Mahamad.—

Can they not be transferred to the Revenue Department?

Second Member of Council.—

That cannot be done.

Mr. Mir Mahamad.—

If that cannot be done, would it not be difficult for them to remain in the same place for years together?

Second Member of Council.—

That is no reason why they should be taken to the Revenue Department. If they should be transferred to the Government appointments, Government should have also the power to appoint them. If the Assembly agrees, a scheme will be prepared.

Mr. K. A. Rahim.—

Only qualified officials may be transferred.

Second Member of Council.—

That does not arise out of the question.

Mr. Subbanna Naik.—

In the answer to part (*a*) of the question, reference is invited to certain sections of the Regulations. But copies of the Regulations have not been furnished to the members.

Second Member of Council.—

They are available to the members for cost.

Mr. Subbanna Naik.—

If the members are not furnished with copies, how can they know what the sections are?

Second Member of Council.—

The members are expected to know all those things. Government cannot supply them copies of Regulations.

Captain Y. V. Ayya.—

Is there any interchange of teachers between Municipal and Government schools?

Second Member of Council.—

That depends upon the terms of employment.

Captain Y. V. Ayya —

There is a proposal from the Director of Public Instruction in regard to the interchange of teachers. Can that arrangement be viewed with favour?

Second Member of Gouncil.—

It is possible to make such an arrangement. But there are other points to be considered, such as terms of employment and so on. All those things have to be settled.

Captain Y. V. Ayya —

Similarly can there not be mutual exchange of hands between Municipalities and Government Departments?

Third Member of Council —

These questions relate to pensionary contribution and other things, which will have to be examined.

Mr. S. Deviah.—

When a municipality is paying pensionary contribution, can the employees not be treated as Government servants?

Second Member of Council.—

No. They cannot be called Government servants.

Mr. S. Deviah.—

Then, under whose control should they be?

Second Member of Council.—

Under the control of the respective municipalities. Their appointment, dismissal, and other things vest in the municipalities only. So, they are municipal servants.

Mr. S. Deviah.—

Since the pay and prospects of the primary school masters in both the Municipal and Government schools are the same, will the question of interchange of teachers be considered?

Second Member of Council.—

That may be done, but not as a general rule.